

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Newell, et al.

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For: CHANNEL GAIN CONTROL  
FOR AN OPTICAL  
COMMUNICATIONS  
SYSTEMS UTILIZING  
FREQUENCY DIVISION  
MULTIPLEXING



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Examiner: Bello, Agustin

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